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## **U.S. Forces to Leave Iraq by End of 2011**



President Obama: "This December will be a time to reflect on all that we've been through in this war... We'll honor our many wounded warriors and the nearly 4,500 American patriots -- and their Iraqi and coalition partners -- who gave their lives to this effort."

## **القوات الأمريكية ستترك العراق بنهاية ٢٠١١**

سيكون كانون الأول/ديسمبر هذا وقتاً للتأمل في كل ما مررنا به في هذه الحرب. وسأناضم إلى الشعب الأميركي في تكريم أكثر من مليون أميركي خدموا في العراق. وسنكرم العديدين من محاربينا الجرحى ونحو ٤,٥٠٠ وطني أميركي وشركائهم العراقيين في الائتلاف

## Secretary Clinton on the Liberation of Libya



"The United States joins the Libyan people as they celebrate liberation from more than four decades of Qadhafi's brutal dictatorship. The Libyan revolution was the work of ordinary, brave Libyans who demanded their freedoms and dignity. The United States is proud to have supported them in those efforts and we are committed to their future."

"This is a historic moment, but much work remains to be done. The process of forming a new representative government that is accountable to its people must reflect the same spirit of the revolution and the Transitional National Council should work to announce this government as soon as possible. The transitional authorities can build on this movement by promoting reconciliation and respect for human rights across Libyan society, while helping to prevent reprisals and ensuring the justice and due process that the Libyan people expect and deserve."

### بيان لوزيرة الخارجية كلينتون حول تحرير ليبيا

"تتضم الولايات المتحدة إلى الشعب الليبي وهو يحتفل بالتحرر بعد ما يزيد على أربعة عقود من نظام القذافي الاستبدادي الوحشي. لقد كانت الثورة الليبية من صنع ليبين عاديين بوسائل طالبا بحرياتهم وكرامتهم. والولايات المتحدة تعترف بكونها ساندتهم في تلك الجهود ونحن ملتزمون تجاه مستقبلهم.

إن هذه اللحظة لحظة تاريخية، لكن قدرا كبيرا من العمل لا يزال ينتظر الإنجاز. فعملية تشكيل حكومة جديدة ممثلة وخاضعة لمحاسبة شعبها يجب أن تعكس نفس روح الثورة، كما أن المجلس الوطني الإنتقالي ينبغي أن يعمل على إعلان هذه الحكومة في أقرب فرصة. وباستطاعة سلطات الحكم الإنتقالي أن تبني على أسس هذه الحركة من خلال الترويج للمصالحة واحترام حقوق الإنسان عبر المجتمع الليبي، وبنفس الوقت المساعدة في منع الأعمال التأرية، وضمان العدالة والإستحقاقات القضائية التي يتوقعها الشعب الليبي ويستحقها."

## Sharing Ideas Invigorates Overseas Professionals on U.S. Visit



Two hundred professionals from 28 countries met in Washington recently to share ideas on meeting challenges posed by climate change and other global issues.

The professional “fellows” were at various stages of several-week visits to cities across the United States, where they have been collaborating with their counterparts in business, academia and government...

The U.S. State Department sponsors the Professional Fellows Program, which brought Myles and others to the United States to work on climate change, food security, education and employment, global health and legislative development. The professionals worked with U.S. nonprofit groups, local governments and businesses...

Yaqin Shaheen, head of the computer department at the Palestine Technical College, visited companies in the Michigan cities of Detroit and Dearborn to learn how they connect with students. He hopes to build partnerships with the professionals he meets to help his students. “Here we meet so many nationalities, and they are from different cultures, different universities, different organizations,” Shaheen said. The variety of views, he said, is helping him to build initiatives that should help his students find work in the Palestinian Territories.”

For more information on the [Professional Fellows Program](#), see the State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs website

## President Obama Commends Top Scientists, Inventors



"America has always been a place where good ideas can thrive and dreams can become real — where innovation is encouraged and the greatest minds in the world are free to push the very limits of science and technology," Obama said. He called for the United States to continue to make the investments in technology and research "critical" to remaining a 21st-century leader.

"The key to our success has always been and always will be our unparalleled ability to think up new ideas, create new industries and lead the way in discovery and innovation," Obama said. "That's how the future will be won."

## Profiles of Prominent Arab Americans: Ahmed Zewail

Ahmed Zewail has not let his Nobel Prize go to waste. Zewail gained prominence in physics and chemistry as the man who used lasers — flashing at unimaginably small intervals called femtoseconds — to catch the movement of atoms as they form and break chemical bonds. And he gained wider fame in 1999 as the first Arab to win a Nobel Prize in the sciences.

Zewail grew up in Disuq, Egypt, enchanted with science, math, literature and music. He graduated from Alexandria University and received a master's degree there, but mentors urged him to study abroad for his doctoral degree, and he won a scholarship at a U.S. university. Once there, he wrote, "I was learning new things literally every day — in chemistry, in physics and in other fields."



## من ومضة قصيرة تنبثق جهود أحمد زويل في نشر النور

لم يترك أحمد زويل جائزة نوبل التي حصل عليها تذهب سدى.

حقق زويل الشهرة في الفيزياء والكيمياء لكونه العالم الذي استخدم أشعة الليزر — التي تومض ضمن فترات زمنية صغيرة جداً لا يمكن تصورها، تسمى "الفيمتو ثانية" — لالتقاط حركة الذرات وهي تُشكل وتُحطم الروابط الكيميائية. واكتسب شهرة أوسع في عام ١٩٩٩ كأول عربي يفوز بجائزة نوبل في العلوم.

نشأ زويل في ديسوك بمصر، وسحرته العلوم، والرياضيات، والأدب، والموسيقى. تخرج من جامعة الإسكندرية وحصل على شهادة الماجستير هناك، ولكن مرشديه حثوه على متابعة دراسته في الخارج لنيل شهادة الدكتوراه، فنال منحة دراسية للالتحاق بإحدى الجامعات الأميركية. وبعد أن أصبح هناك، كتب: "كنت أتعلم أشياء جديدة بالكامل كل يوم— في الكيمياء، والفيزياء، وفي حقول أخرى."

## See Our Latest Youtube Video!

On October 11, America House and the Consulate General's Press Team organized a video interview with American conflict resolution expert Dr. Sara Cobb. Dr. Cobb, who was here on a two-day visit to the region, is Associate Professor at the School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution (S-CAR) at George Mason University and Director of the Center for the Study of Narrative and Conflict Resolution at S-CAR. The six minute video clip features Dr. Cobb responding to questions regarding her work in conflict resolution and focus on the "narrative" approach, on her experience meeting Palestinian professionals and academics, and featured examples of successful cases where conflict resolution strategies have worked before. It also underlines Dr. Cobb's interest in seeing Palestinians resolve intra-Palestinian conflicts. [\(Click on the image below!\)](#)





## **2013 Diversity Visa Lottery Registration Begins**

The U.S. Department of State announces that applications for the 2013 Diversity Visa (DV) Lottery will be accepted online beginning the evening of October 4, 2011 and continuing through November 5, 2011. This annual program makes immigration visas available through a computer-generated random lottery drawing to persons who meet strict eligibility requirements, including individuals from the West Bank, Jerusalem, Gaza and Israel. For more information please see the Department of State's and the Consulate's websites: [http://www.travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types\\_1322.html#overview](http://www.travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types_1322.html#overview); [http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov/dv\\_visa\\_lottery.html](http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov/dv_visa_lottery.html).

Official notification of selection will be made through Entrant Status Check, available as of May 1, 2012, on the DV website ([www.dvlottery.state.gov](http://www.dvlottery.state.gov)).

The Consulate also advises the public of a notable increase in fraudulent emails and letters sent to Diversity Visa (DV) program (Visa Lottery) applicants. The scammers behind these fraudulent emails and letters are posing as the U.S. government in an attempt to extract payment from DV applicants. All applicants should be familiar with information about DV scams provided by the Federal Trade Commission. For more information on DV fraud scams please visit: [http://www.travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types\\_1749.html](http://www.travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types_1749.html)

## **بدأ التسجيل لتأشيرة الهجرة بالقرعة لعام ٢٠١١**

تعلن وزارة الخارجية الأمريكية العامة عن بدء استقبال طلبات تأشيرة الهجرة بالقرعة عبر الإنترنت لعام ٢٠١٣ ابتداء من مساء تاريخ ٤ تشرين أول/تشرين أول ٢٠١١ ويستمر لتاريخ ٥ تشرين ثاني/نوفمبر ٢٠١١. حيث يقدم هذا البرنامج السنوي تأشيرات عشوائية للهجرة من خلال نظام محوسب والذي Entrant Status Check بالقرعة لإختيار أشخاص تنطبق عليهم معايير صارمة. هذا وسيتم الإعلان الرسمي عن الإختيار من خلال موقع <http://www.dvlottery.state.gov> سيكون متوفر في الأول من أيار ٢٠١٢ على الصفحة الإلكترونية

ابتداء من الأول من ايار ٢٠١٢، سيكون بإمكان مقدمي الطلبات إدخال بياناتهم ورقم التأكيد على نظام محوسب يسمى نظام فحص المعلومات على العنوان لمعرفة ما إذا تم اختيارهم أم لا. ملاحظة: سيكون فقط بإمكان مقدمي الطلبات الذين يحتفظون بالصفحة <http://www.dvlottery.state.gov> التالي المطبوعة من ورقة التأكيد فحص حالة طلباتهم من خلال نظام الفحص المذكور.

لا تستعين القنصلية الأمريكية بأي مستشارين خارجيين أو شركات خاصة لتشغيل هذا النظام. في حال قامت أي جهة بعرض المساعدة لتحضير معلومات طلبات تأشيرة الهجرة بالقرعة أو ارسال بيانات لإعلام أي فرد أنه تم اختياره/ها لهذه القرعة فإن هذه الجهة تقوم بذلك بدون سلطة أو علم الحكومة الأمريكية. الرجاء مراجعة التحذير من النصب والإحتيال حول عمليات النصب على الإنترنت على الموقع التالي [http://travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types\\_1749.html](http://travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types_1749.html)

**U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem**  
**Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation**  
**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

The U.S. Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation (AFCP) has announced a call for proposals for cultural preservation projects at Palestinian historical and cultural sites. The deadline for submission to the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is **December 1, 2011**.

More information about the Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation may be found at: <http://exchanges.state.gov/heritage/afcp.html>

**1. PRIORITY AREAS:** The AFCP supports projects to preserve cultural heritage in the following three categories:

- Cultural Sites
- Cultural Objects and Collections
- Forms of Traditional Cultural Expression

**2. PRIORITY ACTIVITIES:** The AFCP gives top priority to project activities that are in keeping with international cultural heritage preservation standards. These activities may include:

- In the case of CULTURAL SITES, restoration of a historic building, preservation of an archaeological site, or documentation of cultural sites in a region for preservation purposes.
- In the case of CULTURAL OBJECTS AND COLLECTIONS, conservation treatment for an object or collection of objects; needs assessment of a collection with respect to its condition and strategies for improving its state of conservation; inventory of a collection for conservation and protection purposes; the creation of safe environments for storage or display of collections; or specialized training in the care and preservation of collections.
- In the case of FORMS OF TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSION, documentation and audiovisual recording of traditional music and dance forms for preservation and eventual dissemination, or support for training in the preservation of traditional arts or crafts that are threatened by extinction. Stakeholders may include national, regional, or local cultural authorities; the local community; and others with vested interests in the site and the outcome of a project.

**3. COST SHARING:** AFCP encourages cost sharing, contributions in kind, and other forms of cost participation.

**4. HOW TO APPLY: (DEADLINE: December 1, 2011)**

Proposal requirements:

- A. Project purpose that briefly explains the project objectives and desired results;
- B. Project activities description that explains how the applicant intends to achieve the project objectives and results, presents proposed tasks in a logical order, and describes how those tasks directly contribute towards achieving the project objectives and results;
- C. Project timeframe or schedule that identifies the major project phases and milestones, with performance target dates for achieving them;
- D. Statement of importance highlighting the historic, architectural, artistic, or cultural (non religious) values of the cultural site, object, collection, or form of traditional expression;
- E. Statement of urgency indicating the severity of the situation and explaining why the project must take place now;
- F. Rationale for U.S. support that explains why the U.S. government ought to fund this project;
- G. Detailed project budget, demarcated in one-year budget periods (2011, 2012, 2013, etc.), that lists all costs in cost categories (Personnel, Travel (including Per Diem), Equipment, Supplies, Contractual, Other Direct Costs); indicates funds from other sources; and gives a justification for any anticipated international travel costs;
- H. Applicant information, including resumes or CVs of the proposed project director and key project participants, that demonstrates that the applying entity (ministry of culture, NGO, etc.) has the requisite experience and the capacity to manage projects to preserve cultural heritage;
- I. Proof of official permission to undertake the project and the endorsement and support of the appropriate national authority;
- J. Attachments, including at least three high quality digital images (JPEGs) or audiovisual files that convey the nature and condition of the site, object, or form of expression and, in the case of a site or object, show the urgency or need for the proposed project (collapsing wall, water damage, worn fabric, broken handle, etc.).
- K. **Proposals should not exceed \$200,000.** Last year, AFCP awards worldwide ranged from \$10,000 to \$254,000 with an average award amount of \$57,600.

Please submit proposals via e-mail to Suzan Nammari, Senior Cultural Affairs Specialist, U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem, by email at [nammariq@state.gov](mailto:nammariq@state.gov) by December 1, 2011.

**CRDF Global announces first Global Innovation through Science and Technology (GIST) competition:**

Innovators, scientists, and entrepreneurs are encouraged to participate in GIST's multinational technology idea competition. **From July 1 through October 31, 2011**, CRDF Global will accept two-minute video entries that present technological solutions to economic problems. Twenty-five semi-finalists will be selected by popular vote on the GIST website and will receive coaching and training. In late 2011 an expert panel will award \$20,000 to the grand prize winner. The top 11 concepts will receive a total of \$60,000. Judges will look for individuals or teams who embrace risk from the GIST-eligible countries, which include the Middle East and North Africa. The idea should have market traction. The applicant must not have raised capital for the idea before, cannot be incorporated, and be willing to form a new company. **DEADLINE: October 31, 2011.**

**2011 for Across Borders at Dickinson College Summer 2012 (Tentative Dates July 1-July 28, 2012):**

Applicant criteria: Must be citizens of Jordan, Egypt, Israel or the Palestinian Territories; cannot hold dual U.S. citizenship. Emerging professionals (roughly an age range of 25-40); professional experience and evidence of advancement in field of expertise is preferred. Excellent English skills. Program is fully paid (travel, meals, and lodging) and includes generous book and cultural entertainment allowances. **Deadline: October 31, 2011.**

**Reagan-Fascell Democracy Fellows Program:**

The Reagan-Fascell program was established primarily to support democratic activists, human rights advocates, journalists, and others who work on the front lines of democracy promotion in emerging and aspiring democracies. The program seeks to provide experienced activists with an opportunity to reflect on their work, learn from counterparts in the United States, and reevaluate techniques for building democracy in their country of origin. Fellowships on the practitioner track typically culminate in a strategy memorandum, short article or op-ed, and a formal presentation of the fellow's analysis and ideas.

**Application Deadline for 2012–2013 fellowships: November 1, 2011**

**2012 Leaders for Democracy Fellowship:**

The Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is pleased to announce the annual U.S. Department of State Middle East Partnership Initiative's (MEPI) **Leaders for Democracy Fellowship Program (MEPI LDF)**. This two-stage program advances political reform efforts in the Middle East and North Africa by providing emerging civic leaders and democracy activists the opportunity to spend three months in the United States gaining academic skills and practical experience as well as networking opportunities with like-minded professionals. The MEPI LDF Program will begin in March 2012 and conclude in June 2012. The first stage of the program will be hosted by Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs in Syracuse, New York. The second stage of the program will take place at Washington, D.C.-based institutions and organizations. The MEPI LDF Program will cover international and domestic travel, health insurance, housing, and a moderate living stipend.

**Application Deadline: November 4th, 2011**

**2012 – 2013 Partnerships for Learning Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES):**

The Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES) scholarships, funded by the US Department of State, give secondary school students in many Arab and Islamic countries an opportunity to study at American high schools and live with American host families for one academic year. Students will be enrolled in a full academic year, involving 10 months of high school study in the US, attending classes, hands on laboratory sessions and extracurricular programs with their American classmates. YES students will also participate in special enrichment activities, including community service, youth leadership training, a civics education program and other activities that will develop a well-rounded understanding of American culture through interaction with diverse groups of Americans.

**DEADLINE: November 6, 2011.**

**Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders:**

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem announces the call for applications for the summer 2012 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders on Global Environmental Issues program.

**Application Deadline: November 16th, 2011**



**Summer 2012 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders on New Media:**

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem announces the call for applications for the summer 2012 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders on New Media. The SUSI Institute on New Media will examine major topics in journalism, including the concept of a free press in the United States, First Amendment rights, the media's relationship to the public interest, and media business models. It will cover all elements of journalism: researching, writing, editing, and reporting with particular emphasis on new forms of media. The program will underscore the impact of new technologies on journalism, and give participants new skills such as working with on-line photos and videos; 'twittering;' publishing blogs; utilizing social networking and other internet sites; and other new technologies.

**Application Deadline: November 16th, 2011**

**2012-2013 Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program: Post-Doctoral Research/Lecturing Opportunity in the U.S.:**

The Fulbright Visiting Senior Scholar Award provides an opportunity to post-doctoral scholars who are to begin a program of research or teaching in 2012/2013 at an accredited university, or a public or private, non-private, non-profit research institute in the United States.

**Deadline: November 30, 2011.**

**2012 Study of the United States Institutes (SUSI) Summer Programs Scholars and Secondary School Educators:**

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem announces the call for applications for the 2012 Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for Scholars and Secondary School Educators. The SUSI institute programs are intensive post-graduate level academic programs with integrated study tours whose purpose is to provide foreign secondary school educators and scholars the opportunity to deepen their understanding of American society, culture and institutions. The ultimate goal of SUSI programs is to strengthen curricula and improve the quality of teaching about the United States in academic institutions abroad.

**Application Deadline: December 1, 2011**

**"Doors to Diplomacy" 2012 International Web Project Competition for Middle and High School Students:**

The Department of State and the Global SchoolNet Foundation announce the 2012 "Doors to Diplomacy" award competition, recognizing the student-created Global SchoolNet Web projects from around the globe that best teach others about the importance of international affairs and diplomacy.

To qualify, middle school and high school students will work in small teams with teacher-coaches. **Projects must be completed by March 15, 2012**, and winners will be announced in May 2012. Every team that enters a project will receive a special "Doors to Diplomacy" certificate recognizing their achievement. Each student member of the two winning teams – one American and one international – will also receive a \$2,000 scholarship and the winning coaches' schools will each receive a \$500 cash award.

**Deadline: March 15, 2012.**

For a complete description of the competition and information about eligibility and judging criteria, please visit

<http://globalschoolnet.org/gsndoors/>. For more information, contact Dr. Yvonne Marie Andres of Global SchoolNet by phone at (760) 635-0001 or by e-mail at [diplomacy@globalschoolnet.org](mailto:diplomacy@globalschoolnet.org) or Wanda Ramsey of the Department of State by e-mail at [RamseyWC@state.gov](mailto:RamseyWC@state.gov).

**MEPI Information Technology (IT) Partnership Program**

The Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) announces the launch of the first-ever Information Technology (IT) Program that seeks to link MEPI grantees with major IT corporations. Through this new partnership, local NGOs will be able to access the latest computer software, hardware, and related training to improve the effectiveness of their projects, build organizational capacity, and assist with cementing the long-term sustainability of their work. For more information, please contact us at [mepi-it-partnerships@state.gov](mailto:mepi-it-partnerships@state.gov)

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